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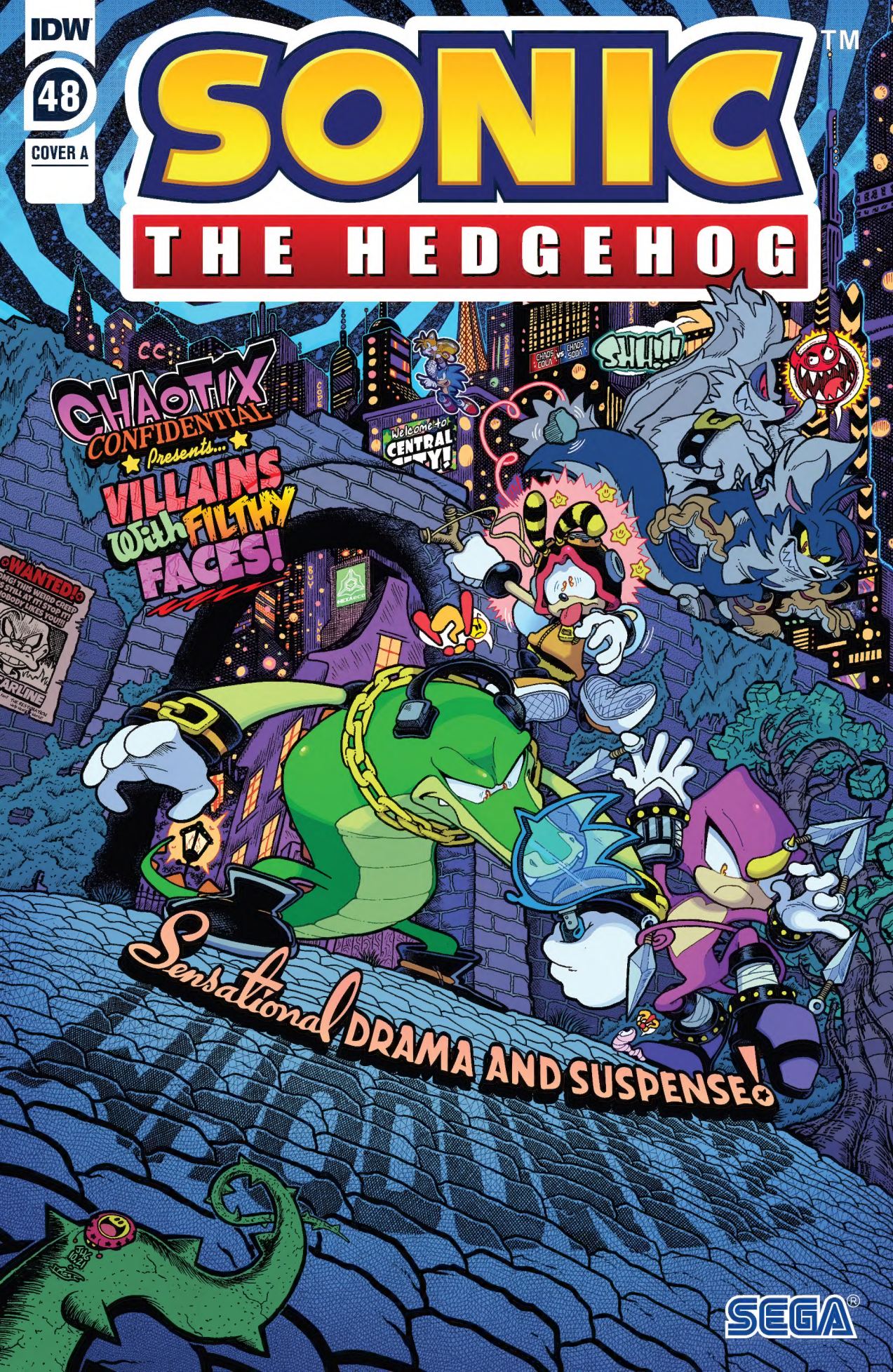
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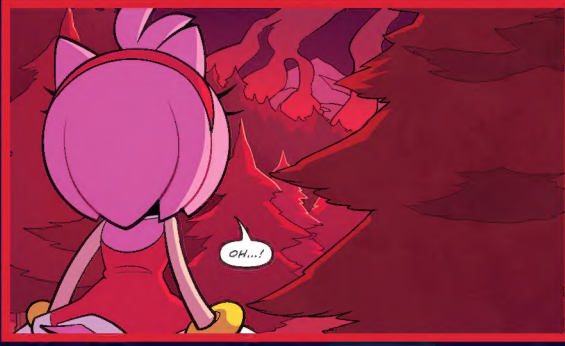
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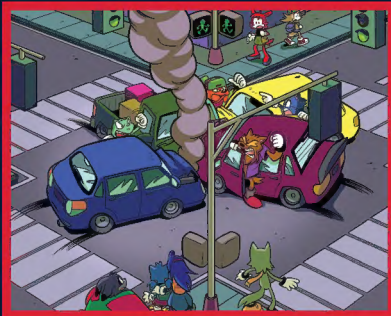
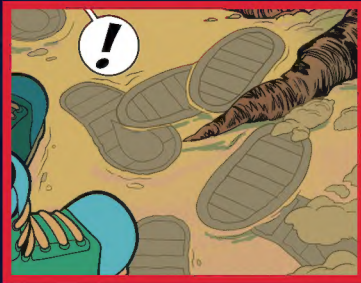
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STORY SO FAR





VECTOR THE CROCODILE

Rocking detective.
Chaotix leader.



ESPIO THE CHAMELEON

Ninja, spy, detective.
Chaotix member.



CHARMY BEE

Energetic detective.
Chaotix member.



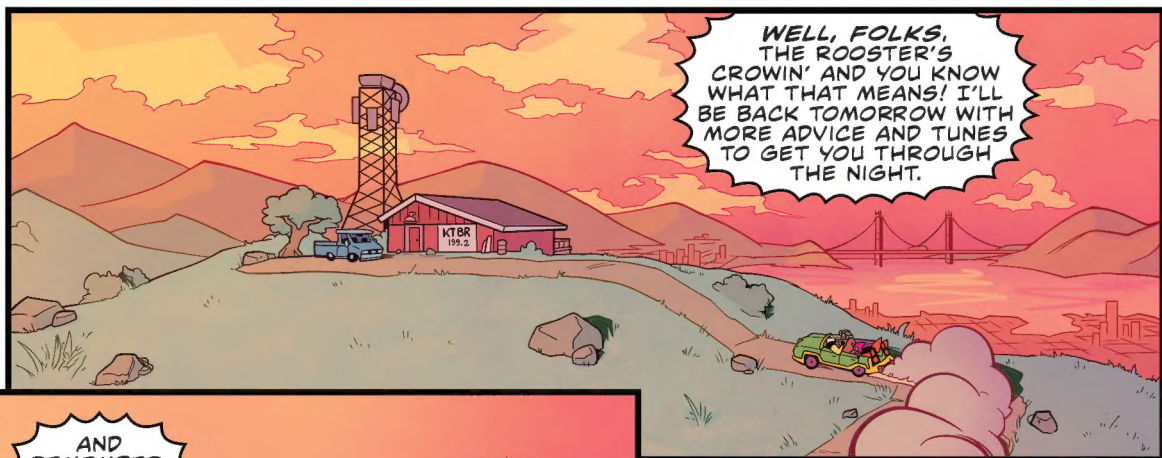
NITE THE OWL

Helpful radio host.
On KTBR 199.2 nightly.

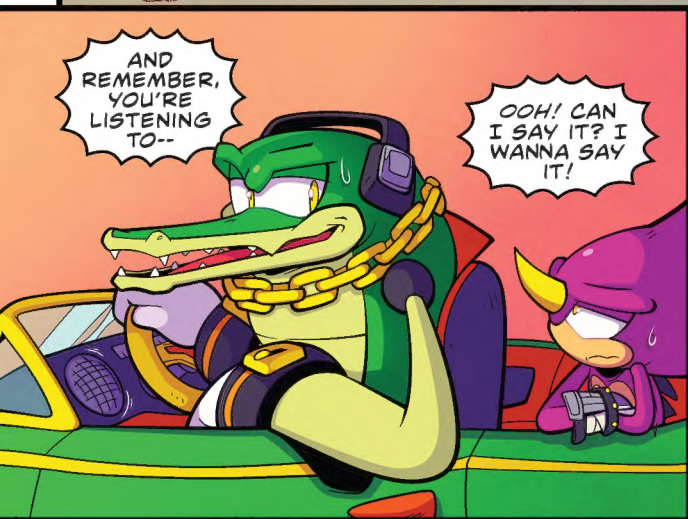


DON THE ROOSTER

Nightshift custodian.
At KTBR 199.2 nightly.



WELL, FOLKS,
THE ROOSTER'S
CROWIN' AND YOU KNOW
WHAT THAT MEANS! I'LL
BE BACK TOMORROW WITH
MORE ADVICE AND TUNES
TO GET YOU THROUGH
THE NIGHT.



AND
REMEMBER,
YOU'RE
LISTENING
TO--

OOH! CAN
I SAY IT? I
WANNA SAY
IT!

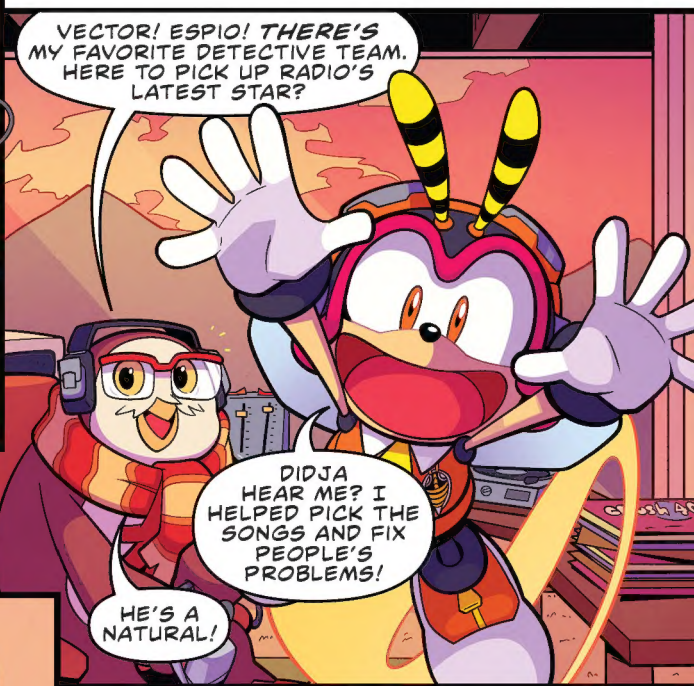
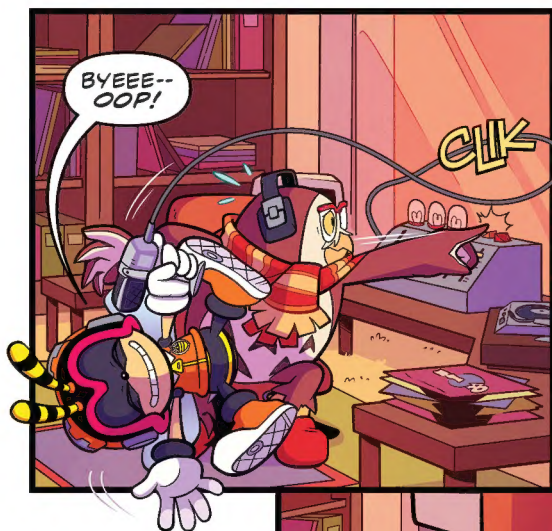


IT'S
199.2,
KTBR!

ABOUT
TIME YOU
TWO GOT HERE.
C'MON IN AND
COLLECT
THE LITTLE
TERROR.



DON'T DO
ANYTHING DUMB
DURING THE DAY,
'CAUSE NITE CAN'T
HELP YOU!





"WE'RE ALWAYS INTERESTED!"

POWER OUTAGES, TRAFFIC PROBLEMS... IT SOUNDS LIKE THESE PEOPLE ARE DEALING WITH A **BAD THUNDERSTORM**, NOT CRIME.

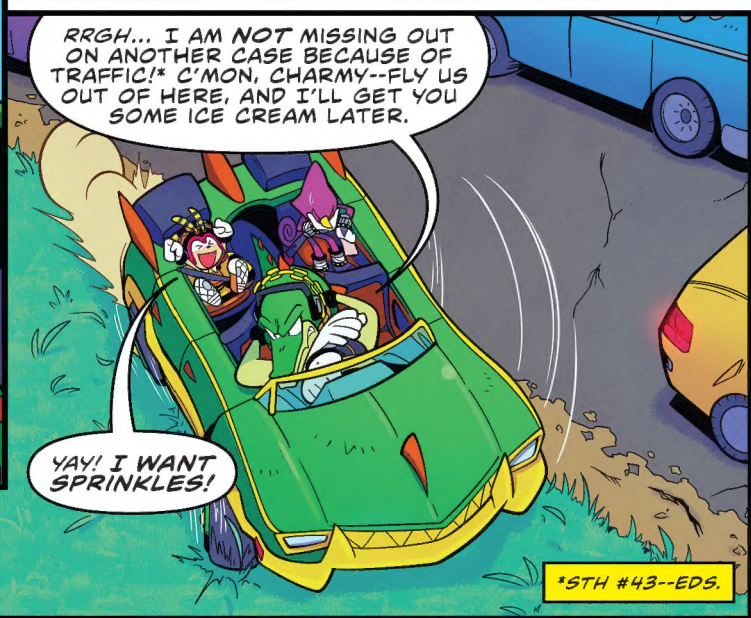
NITE'S GOT A GOOD NOSE FOR THESE THINGS; HAS HE EVER LED US WRONG BEFORE?

H/M. HE'S CERTAINLY LED US INTO **TROUBLE** BEFORE. TROUBLE DOESN'T TEND TO GET US PAID.

IF WE FIGURE OUT WHAT'S UP, I'M **SURE** SOMEBODY WILL PONY UP A REWARD!



...ARE WE THERE YET?



RRGH... I AM NOT MISSING OUT ON ANOTHER CASE BECAUSE OF TRAFFIC!* C'MON, CHARMY--FLY US OUT OF HERE, AND I'LL GET YOU SOME ICE CREAM LATER.

YAY! I WANT **SPRINKLES!**

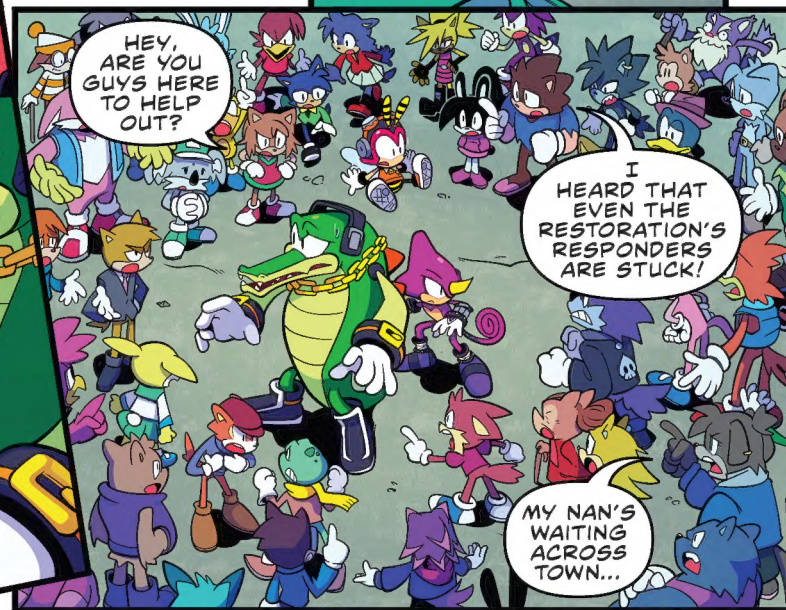
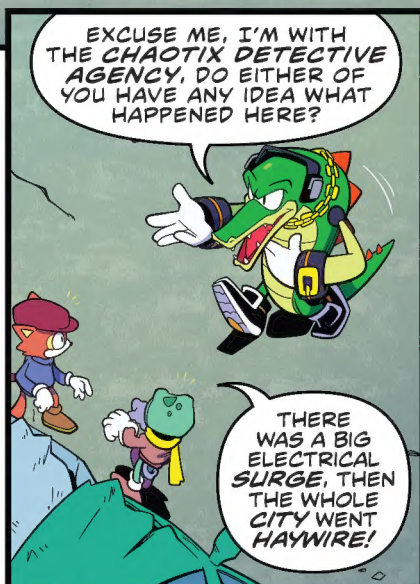
*STH #43--EDS.



HOOONK!

HEY! THAT'S **CHEATING!**

Y'ALL'RE JUST JEALOUS YOU DIDN'T THINK OF IT FIRST!





GEEZ, EVERYBODY HERE IS REALLY ANGRY!

WE'RE GETTING NOWHERE WITH THIS.

NOBODY SEEMS TO HAVE ANY IDEA WHAT--OR WHO--CAUSED IT...



I KNOW WHO DONE DID IT!

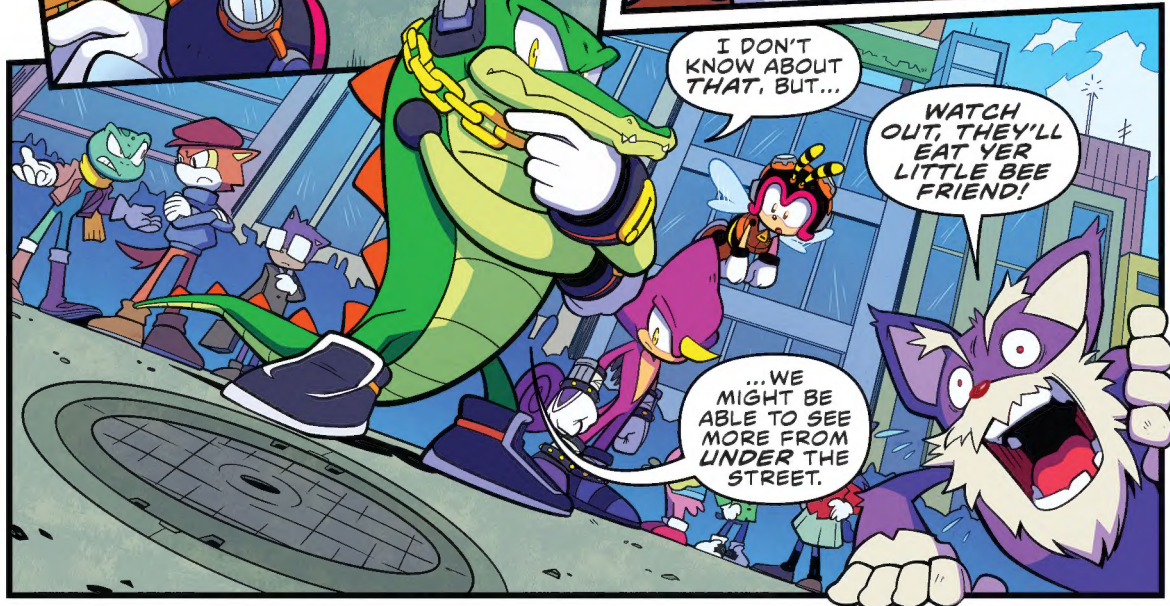


I SAW 'EM! COMIN' OUT OF THE SEWER!

IT WAS A CENTRAL CITY MUTANT MONSTER CROCODILE... HAD TO BE!



OOOOO...



I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THAT, BUT...

WATCH OUT, THEY'LL EAT YER LITTLE BEE FRIEND!

...WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO SEE MORE FROM UNDER THE STREET.



HOW'S IT
LOOKING?

PROMISING.



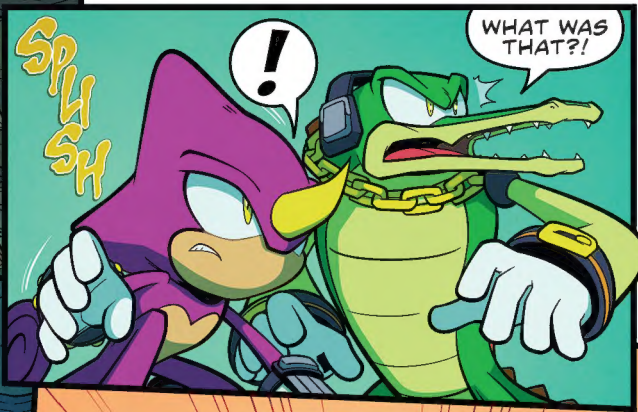
DANG! WHOEVER DID THIS
IS A TOUGH CUSTOMER. I'M
ALMOST GLAD THEY'RE
LONG GONE.

BUT
THERE'S A
CROCODILE
RIGHT
HERE?

OH,
HUSH
UP.



HEY,
LOOK!
THERE'S
SOMEBODY
THERE!



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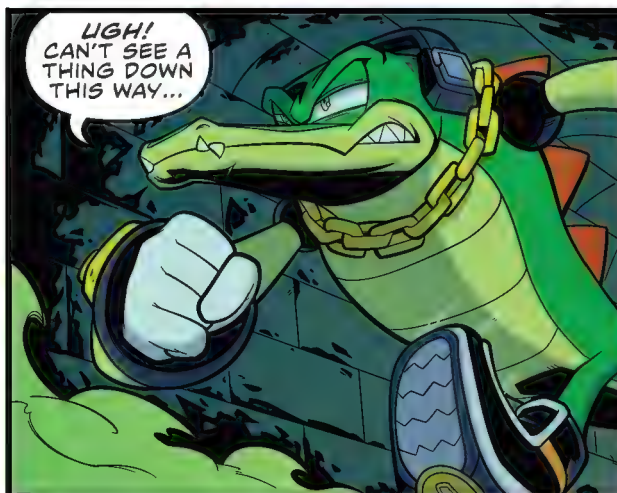
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WHAT WAS
THAT?!

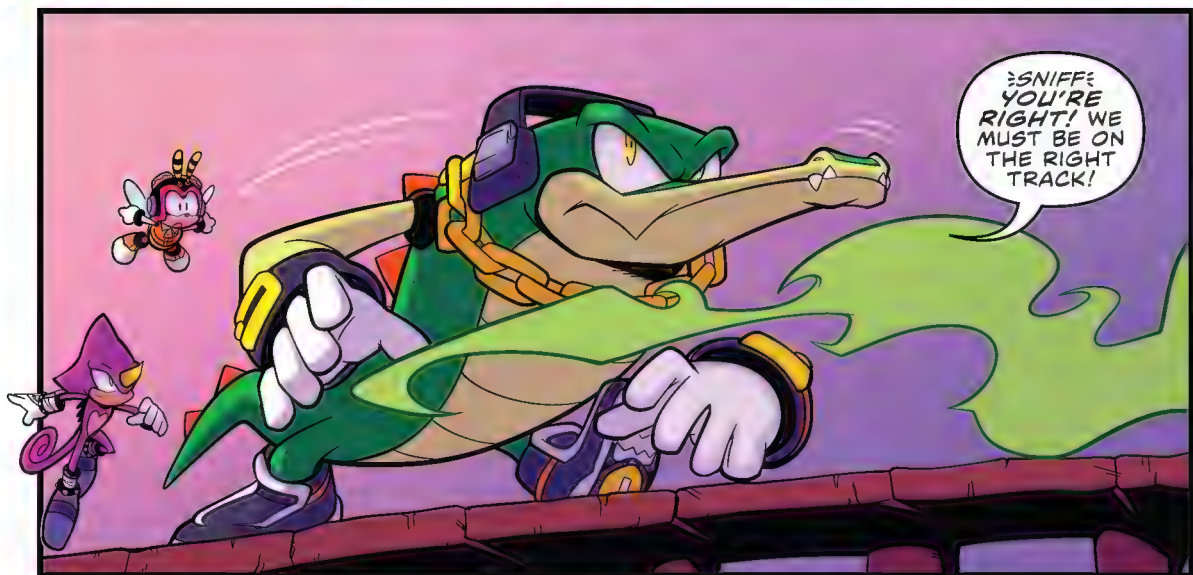
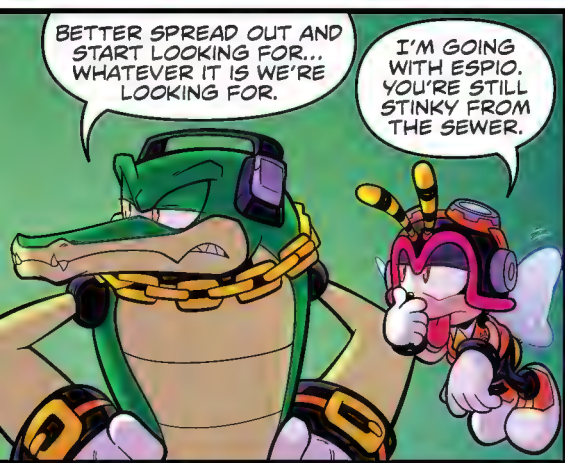
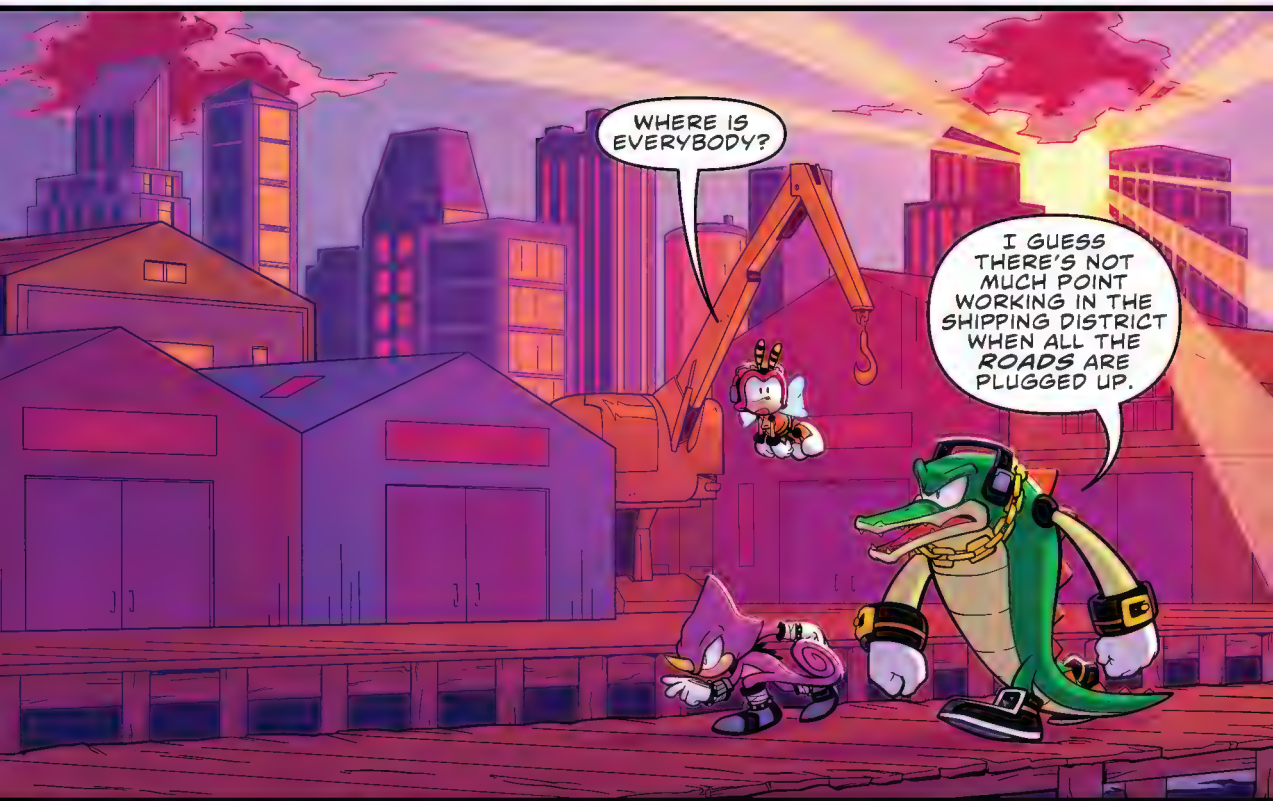


GET 'EM,
CHAOTIX!











END
OF THE
LINE...



...THIS
PLACE HAS
SURE SEEN
BETTER
DAYS.



LOOKS
ABANDONED...

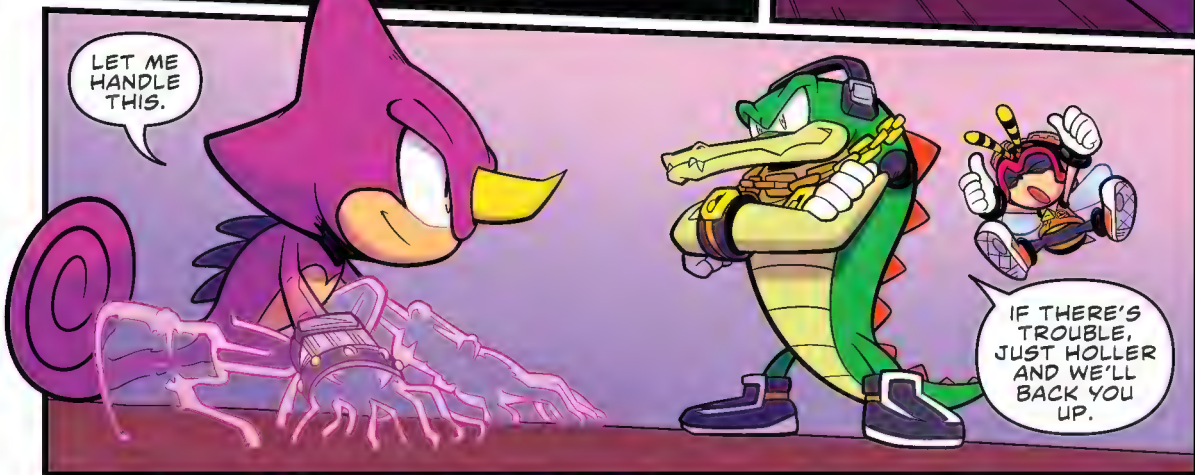
HEY!
ANYBODY
HO--

SHH!
MAYBE
THAT'S JUST
WHAT THEY
WANT US TO
THINK!



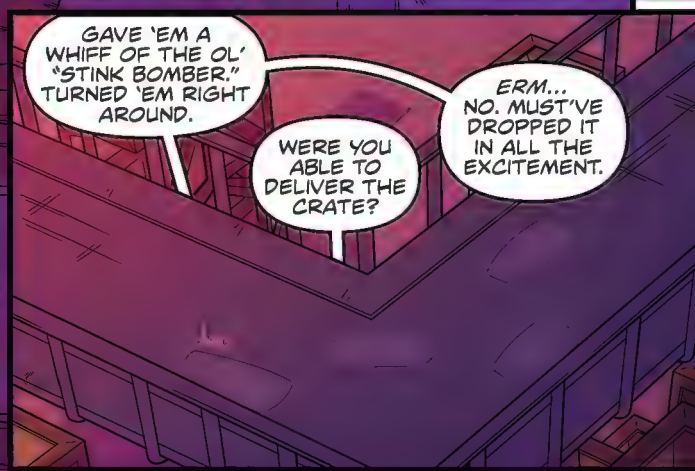
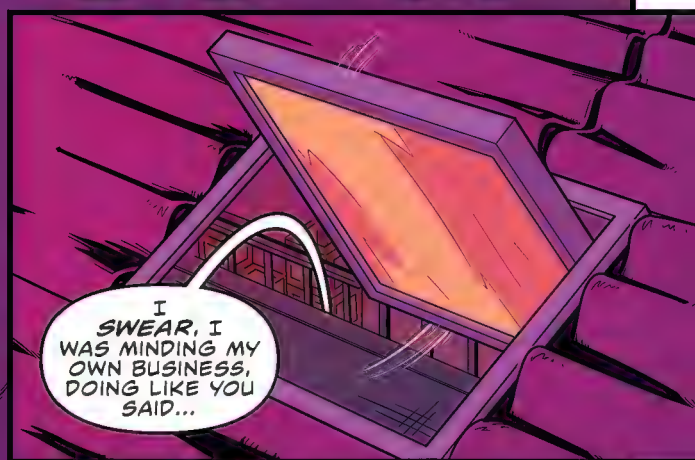
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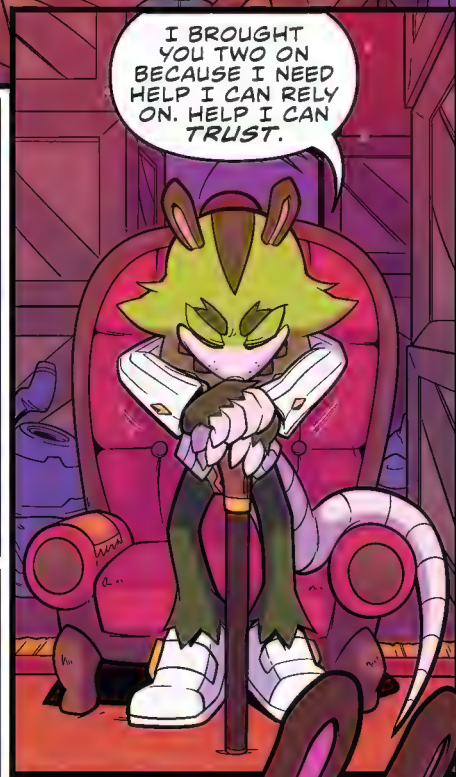
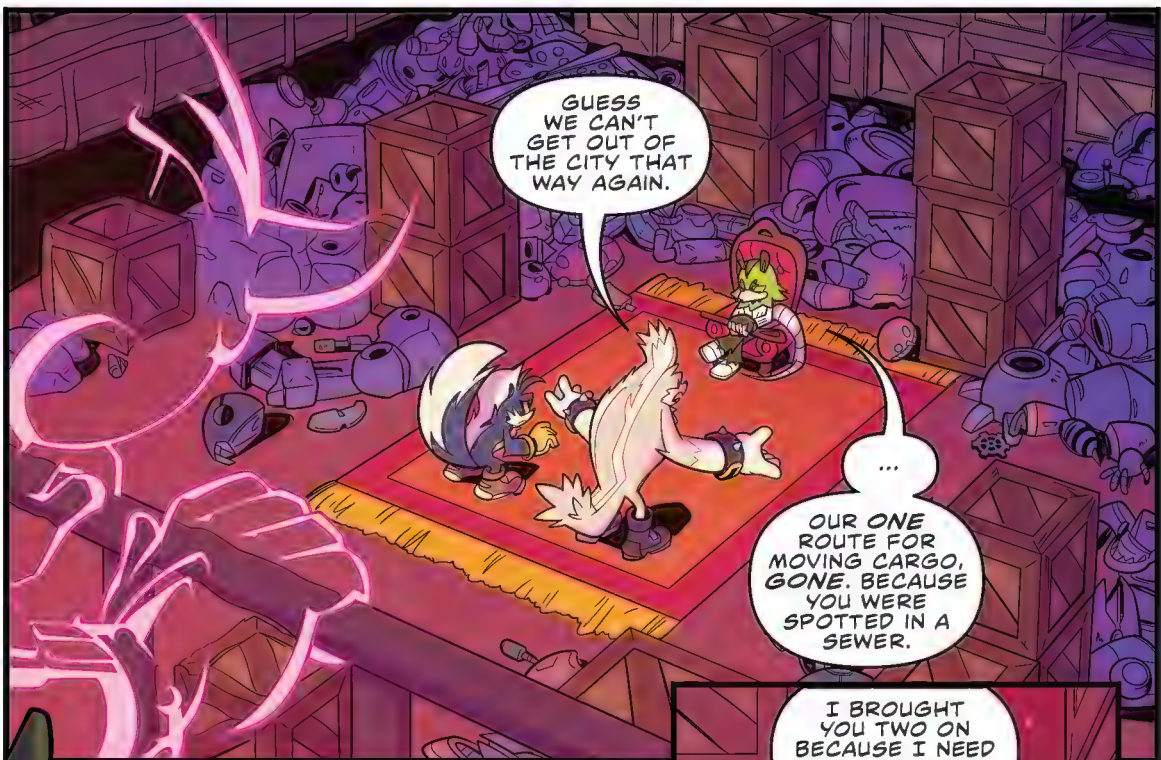
I HEAR
VOICES.

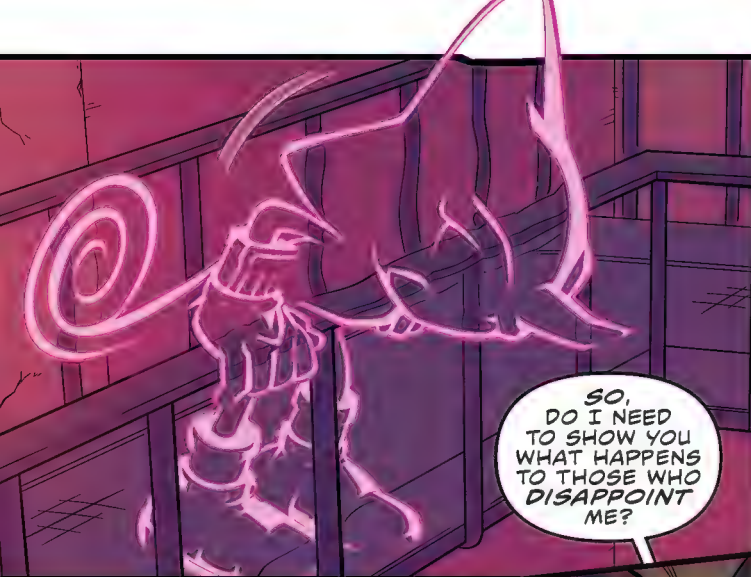


LET ME
HANDLE
THIS.

IF THERE'S
TROUBLE,
JUST HOLLER
AND WE'LL
BACK YOU
UP.



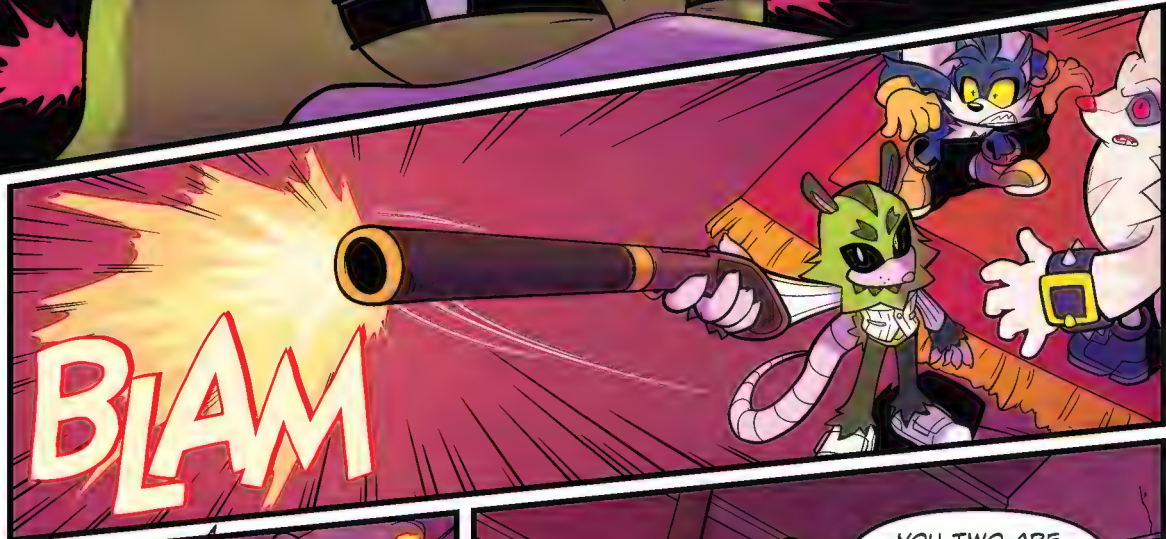




SO,
DO I NEED
TO SHOW YOU
WHAT HAPPENS
TO THOSE WHO
DISAPPOINT
ME?



CREEAK



BLAM

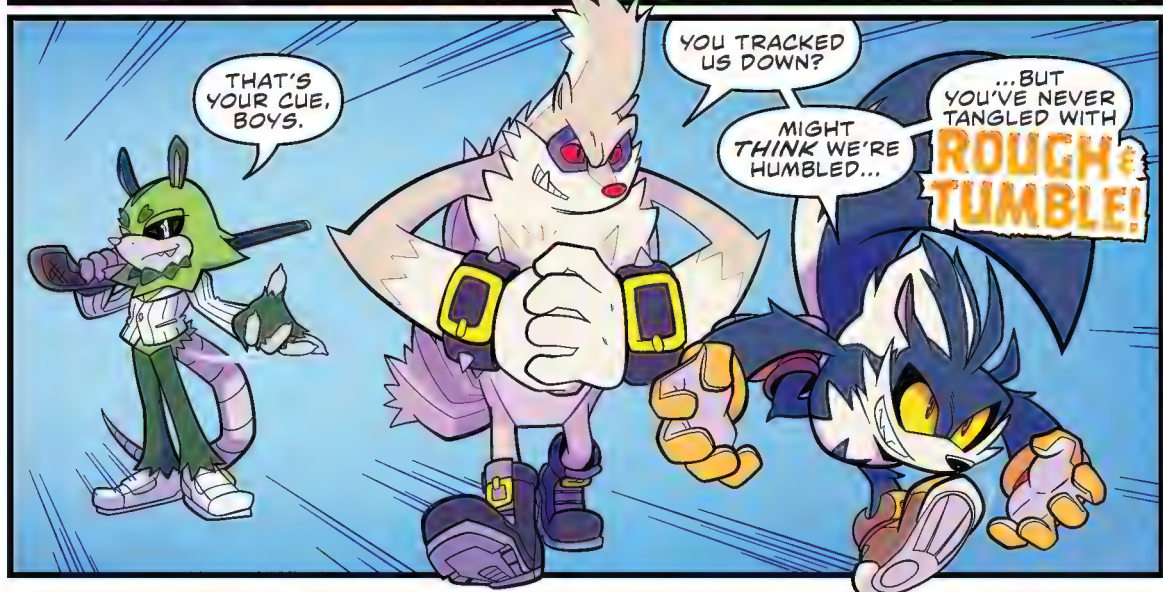


CR-THOOM

!!



YOU TWO ARE
IN **LUCK**--LOOKS
LIKE YOU HAVE A
CHANCE TO REDEEM
YOURSELVES.



THAT'S
YOUR CUE,
BOYS.

YOU TRACKED
US DOWN?

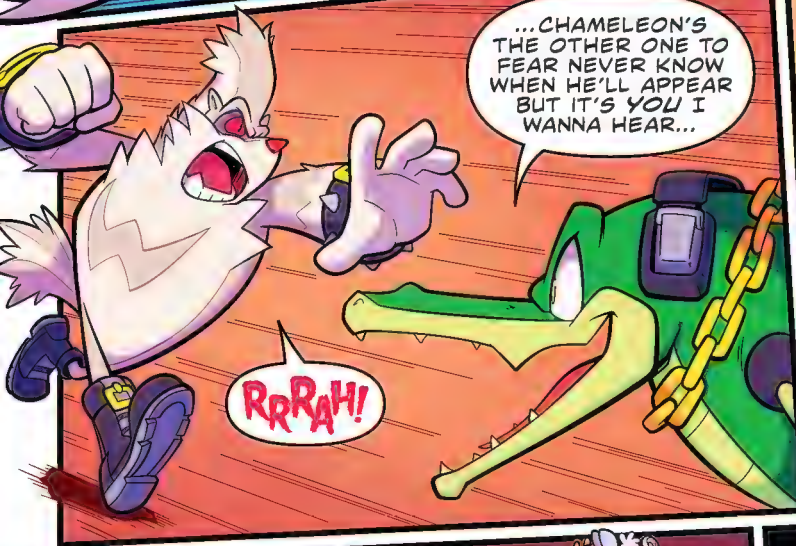
MIGHT
THINK WE'RE
HUMBLED...

...BUT
YOU'VE NEVER
TANGLED WITH
**ROUGH
TUMBLE!**



SO
THAT'S HOW
YOU PLAY IT?
OKAY, THEN
I'LL SAY IT...

...YOUR
JUDGEMENT'S
SLIPPIN' THINKING
TO TRY THE CROC?
GONNA BE TRIPPIN'
BETTER WATCH
THE WALK...



...CHAMELEON'S
THE OTHER ONE TO
FEAR NEVER KNOW
WHEN HE'LL APPEAR
BUT IT'S YOU I
WANNA HEAR...

RRRAH!



...STINGERS
COMIN' ON THE
NEXT PASS,
BEEHIVE'S READY,
GON' KICK--

THAT'S
ME! I'M
THE BEE,
RIGHT?



SO IF YOU
DIDN'T CAUSE
THE TROUBLE
DOWNTOWN,
WHO DID?



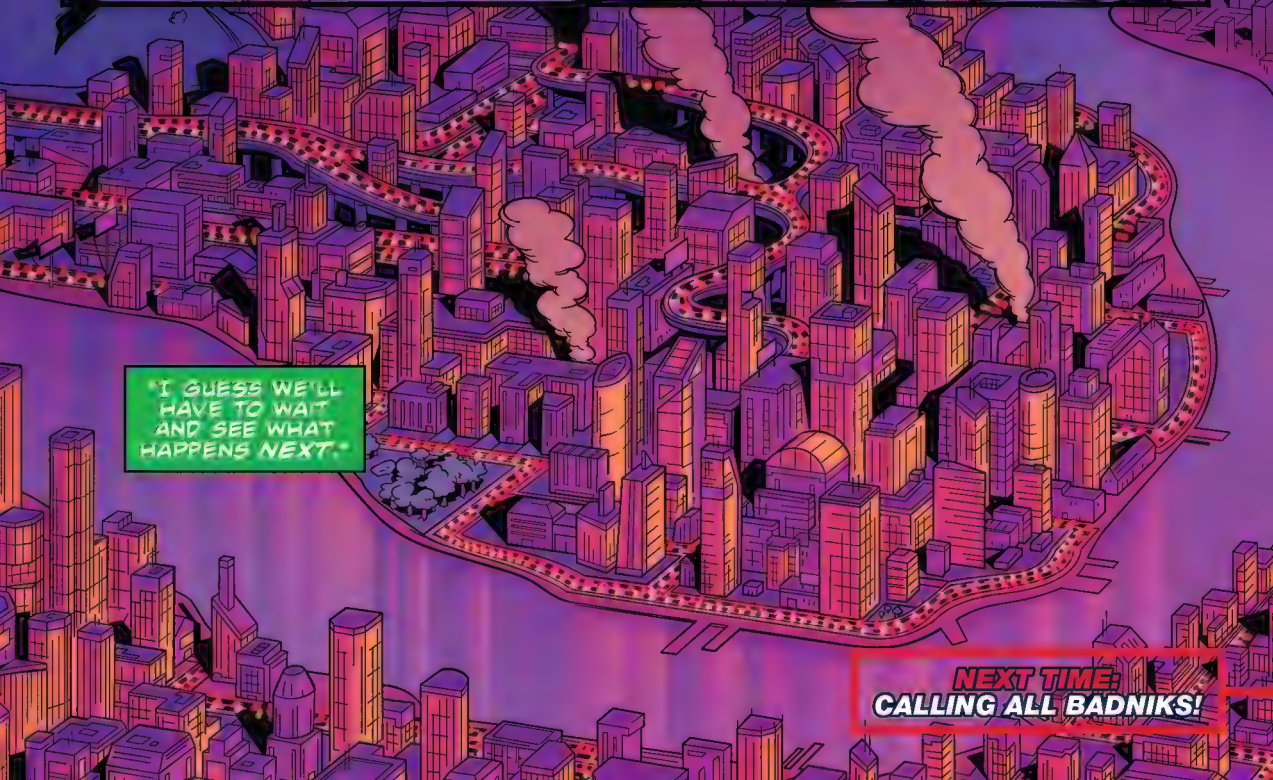


THAT'LL DO, BOYS.









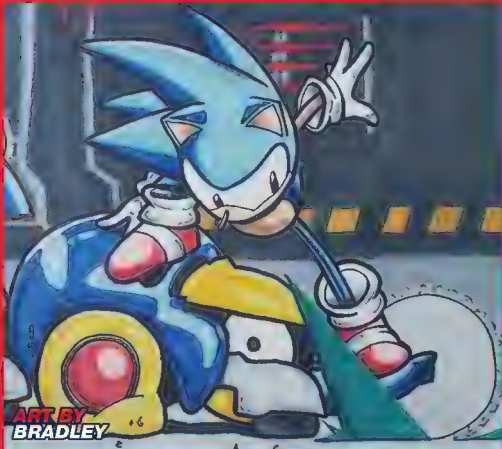


NEXT MONTH



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LETTERS SQUAD



Hi, detectives! Who is behind all of these crimes?! All will be revealed soon... Thank you for joining Evan Stanley, Aaron Hammerstrom, Matt Froese, Reggie Graham, and Shawn Lee for this super fun Chaotix story! Now, on to your art and letters!

Hi, Sonic Team

I am Vinnie, I'm 5, I think your comics are great, thank you for making them. I love when Sonic fights Dr. Eggman. I don't like to see him lose.

The Chaotix are really funny, they are my favorite.

Keep up the good work making really good comic books!

Vinnie

Hi Vinnie!

How lucky that the Chaotix are your favorite and they just got a whole issue! I really hope you enjoyed #48 and laughed at all

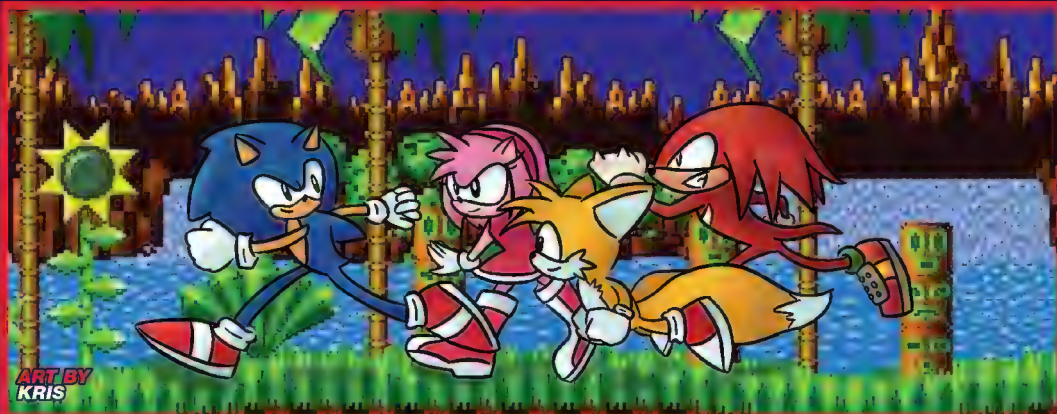


the hijinks they got up to. Do you have a favorite member? Mine is probably Charmy, he's just so adorable. Thank you for reading the comics and for your amazing artwork!

Dear Sonic comics,

I really like your Sonic comics (especially the one called "Amy's New Hobby" and hope you make more like it soon!) and can't wait to read more of them and the letters (and reading about the colorist who make the comics). I really like the new characters and like one of





the letters I read. I think Belle and the Tinker should be allowed to be together again (and what if the Tinker joins Sonic's team!). I love your comics and I can't wait to read more.

Bye!

P.S. My name is RJ

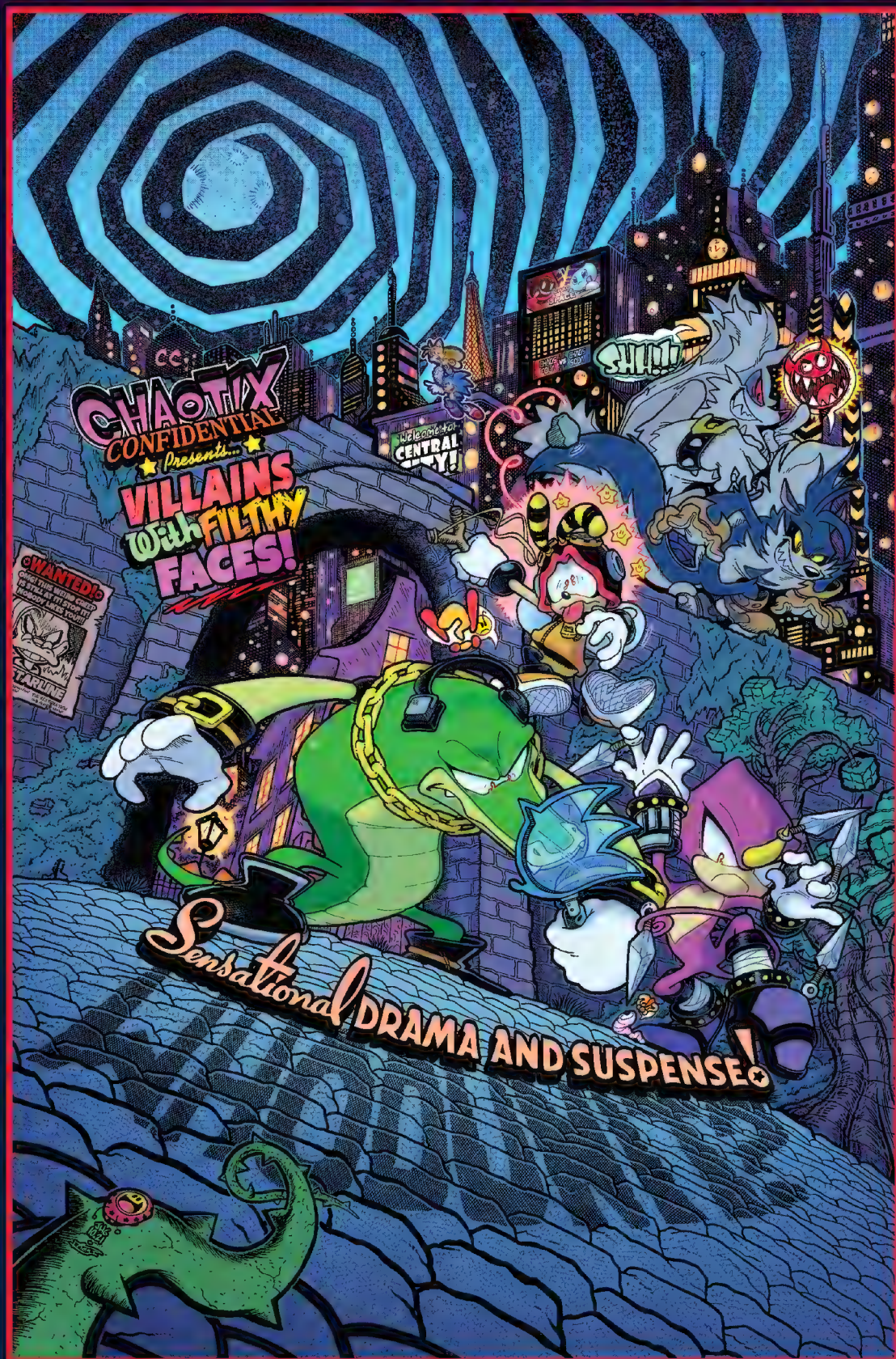
Hi, RJ,

Thank you so much for your letter and art! I'm so glad that you liked "Amy's New Hobby," it's one of my favorite stories. I love when Sonic defeats Eggman, but it's also fun to see what the characters get up to when they have free time.

I hear you about Belle and Mr. Tinker but... I don't think he'll be returning anytime soon. Even if Eggman can't be the father that Belle wants, she's found so so many new friends who love her. I think she's better off at the Restoration.

Thank you for joining us, Squad. Please don't forget to send your art and letters to letters@idwpublishing.com, and make sure to mark them: "OKAY TO PRINT!" And join the IDW Sonic Comics Squad on Facebook! Next month, check out Imposter Syndrome #3!





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CHAOTIX IN



HIT

THE

PAVE
MENT



ART NATHALIE FOURDRAINE

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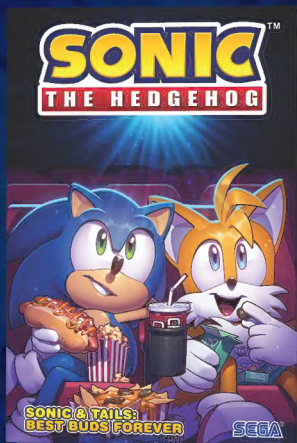
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